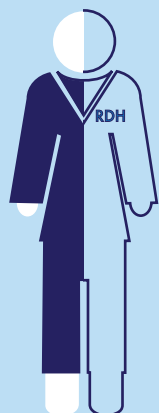


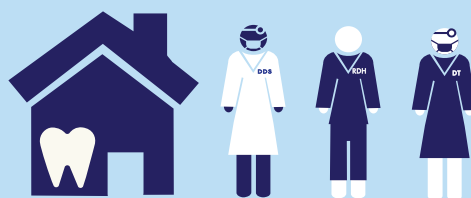


ORAL HEALTH IN MICHIGAN

SB 1013: A Career Ladder for Registered Dental Hygienists

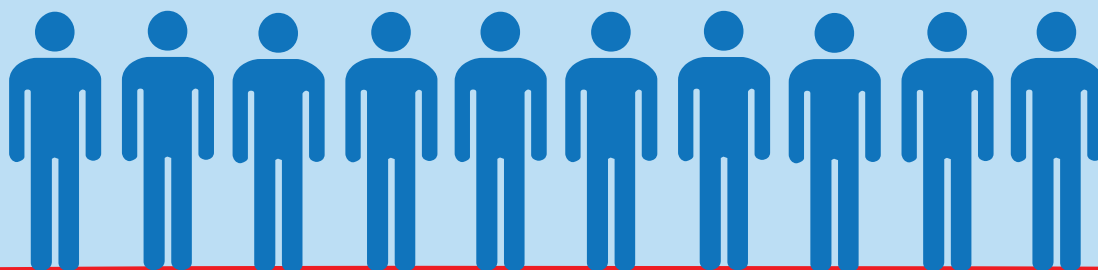


HALF of Michigan's
10,300
registered dental
hygienists (RDH)
are **UN- OR**
UNDEREMPLOYED



SB 1013

Good oral health care is a dental home =
EDUCATION+ PREVENTION+ RESTORATIVE CARE.
A **TEAM** of providers means patients have **ACCESS**
to the skill set that **MEETS** their **NEEDS**.



RDHs are **LIMITED** by their current scope of practice to providing
education and preventative services that – while incredibly valuable – fall
short of what many **MICHIGANDERS NEED**.
(i.e. restorative services)



CODA STANDARDS
allow for RDHs to
enter a **dental therapy**
education program
with advanced
standing to
recognize the
overlap in
skill sets.



If **SB 1013** passes, **RDHs**
IN MICHIGAN would be
well-positioned to seek a
license in dental therapy
and they would be
INCREDIBLY USEFUL in
the workforce – dually
licensed as a RDH and DT.



To learn more about how dental therapists can help
provide access to care visit MIDentalAccess.org.

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